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## Claims

- Currently*
- 1 (Amended) A measuring and tool setting device comprising a one piece bridging cursor body of plastics material, wood, metal or any combination of these containing a releasably locking mechanism in the form of a slotted hollow cylinder acting upon a steel rule or scale passing through ~~said body~~ the bridging cursor body at an angle of 90 degrees to a datum drawn between two feet which form ~~the~~ a base ~~of~~ for the device and which when resting upon a reference face will in conjunction with a 15 degree bevel provided at the top or apex of the bridging cursor body and immediately adjacent to the rule or scale indicate ~~the~~ a displacement of the rule or scale relative to the datum thereby measuring ~~the~~ any projection of a cutting edge from the reference face.
- Currently*
- 2 (Amended) A measuring and tool setting device as claimed in claim 1 wherein ~~there is provided~~ said releasably locking mechanism in the form of a slotted hollow cylinder includes a projection provided on a surface of the hollow cylinder contacting said rule or scale to impart a frictional force which acts upon the rule or scale and thereby controls the sliding action of the bridging cursor body rule or scale within and relative to the device.

- 3 <sup>Currently</sup> (Amended) A measuring and tool setting device as claimed in claims 1 and 2 wherein ~~there is provided a~~ the 15 degree bevel provided at the top edge or apex of the bridging cursor body defines a common downward sloped surface housing said releasably locking mechanism within, and having a distal end which permits direct measurement of the rule or scale, and a proximal end downwardly sloped towards a frontal end of the bridging cursor body and above said releasably locking mechanism.